

General Assembly

## **Amendment**

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## "AN ACT CONCERNING THE DESIGNATION OF HEARING OFFICERS BY THE COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE."

After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. (Effective from passage) Not later than January 1, 2016, the 4 Commissioner of Agriculture, in accordance with the provisions of 5 section 11-4a of the general statutes, and after consultation with the 6 Commissioner of Health, shall submit to the joint standing committee 7 of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the 8 environment a report concerning the need for and viability of 9 establishing a laboratory located east of the Connecticut River for the 10 testing of shellfish. Such report shall include, but not be limited to, a 11 description of the requisite laboratory testing for shellfish as 12 prescribed by the Department of Public Health, the Department of 13 Agriculture, federal law and any other provision of law, an 14 explanation of any standards that any such laboratory is required to 15 meet, a description of any requisite equipment and facilities required

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to perform such testing, a listing of the qualifications that any person 16 17 who performs such testing is required to possess, an assessment of the 18 adequacy of existing state facilities to perform such testing for the 19 state's shellfish industry, the volume of such testing that could occur at 20 a facility established at a location east of the Connecticut River and 21 identification of any existing privately owned facilities, state resources 22 or state facilities that could adequately and appropriately provide a 23 location for such testing at a location east of the Connecticut River, 24 including, but not limited to, a cost-benefit analysis for modifying any 25 such existing state resources or facilities to provide for such testing at a 26 location east of the Connecticut River."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

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